Nityanand Prabhu Arrives in Navadvip

Scene - The Open Road

(Nityananda Prabhu sings as He walks towards Navadvip.)

Nitai: Song:
Hey hey hey, wake up Kanai Krsna, the day is well nigh
Let's go to the fields. Come, Kanai, come.
Get up Gopala, the others wait, looking eagerly to the road.
It's late and it's time to go and play.
Leaning beneath the Kadamba tree, play Your sweet flute
Moving close together, I will pick flowers and decorate You.

Come, Kanu, come, get up!
The restless cows graze not in the pastures,
Hearing no sound of Your flute.
Listen to their lowing, calling out for You.
They refuse to roam without You.
(The Neighbors enter.)

1st Man: O Good Grief! Is is it not enough to have one madman in the town? Now it is a whole circus! (calls)
I say, sir! What is this "Hey hey hey?"

Nitai: I am a beggar, sir.

1st Man: A beggar? Then just beg. Why do You have to yell,
"hey hey?"

Nitai: Song:
I beg only for love! Who is giving out such love here in Nadia?
Who is that, intoxicated with divine love, Who pours out this nectar, as much as you might want?
I heard souls whisper this news,
So I have come to find love here. I roam around the countryside
Like a floating cloud.
All because of this divine love.

1st Man: Couldn't He find a better place to do His sentimental stuff? I hope He doesn't turn out to be a thief!

2nd Man: No, no, you've perceived Him wrongly - He is an Avadhoot -an Anchorite! The characteristics are clearly exhibited on this Person!

1st Man: Absolute bogus! These guys are all thieves!

(Nimai enters. He emraces Lord Nityananda.)

Nimai: You are My Brother! Now, my life is worthwhile! Sublime! My dream has come true! You remained hidden in My dreams, only now showing Yourself here! My Brother! My elder Brother! Let Me see You run away from Me again!

Nitai: Where shall I run to? Keep Me forever by Your lotus feet. You have loved Me by making Me Your elder brother, now take care that You do not push Me away. You see, I am eternally surrendered to You!

Nimai: You are the bestower of all good fortune, My dear elder brother and by Your mercy, I shall chant the glories of Krsna, here in Nadia. I shall beg divine love of Krsna from Your lotus feet. I beg for Your kindness, accompany Me to perform congregational chanting of the Holy Names in My house!

Nitai: My life is now perfect. Now that I have received Your association, I beg always the shelter of Your lotus feet.
(Nimai and Lord Nityananda leave)

2nd Man: Just see! Really that scholar Nimai has changed a lot. He came back from Gaya Dhama, left His School and students and spent His days in carrying different articles like mats, clothes, and fruits to the Vaisnava Brahmanas who went for ablutions to the Ganga. Then, He would entreat them, "Please bless Me that I may acquire love of Krsna." But now, I see He has got worse and taken to this mewing and wailing.

1st Man: That's really so! Before, as soon as He would spot a Vaisnava Renunciate, He would chase and harass them. But now, He has joined their gang! Just wait until they fall into the hands of those drunken rogues, Jagai and Madhai!!

2nd Man: It is true what you say, Nimai suddenly went beserk! He was such a scholar; if He had continued His school, then no other teachers would have attracted any students! I have heard that Jagai and Madhai are moving their crime wave in our direction. Let's get out of town ourselves, lest they take everything from us!